

### **Remarks**

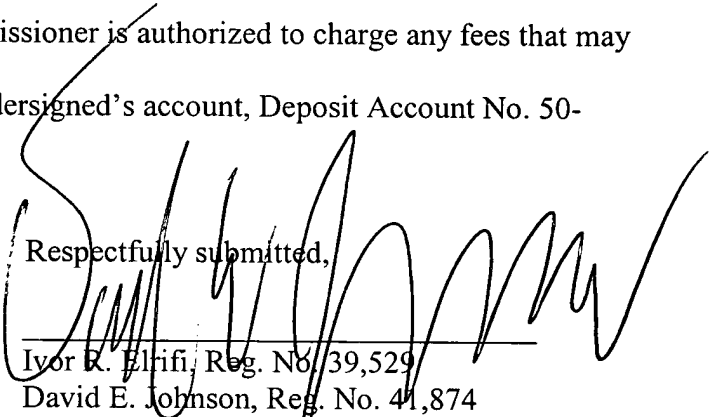
Upon entry of the amendment, claims 12-16, 18, and 65-91 will be pending in the application. Claims 1-11, 17, and 19-64 are cancelled as drawn to non-elected subject matter. Claims 12, 13, and 18 are amended, and new claims 65-91 added. Claims 12, 13, and 18 are amended to delete non-elected subject matter. Support for additional amendments to claim 12 and for new claims 72-75 appears in the specification at, e.g., page 2, lines 12-15 (disclosing polypeptides with at least 85, 90, 95, 98, or 99% identity to a disclosed CRF2-12 sequence); page 7, lines 7-14 (disclosing a 32 amino acid polypeptide sequence present in SEQ ID NO:4 not present in SEQ ID NO:2 (Table 2). Additional support for the amendment to claim 12 and for new claims 76-77 and 79-80 appears at, e.g., page 35, lines 5-6 (disclosing CRF2-12 polypeptides that bind IL-10 or IL-22).. New claims 65-71 and 79-91 are supported in the specification at, e.g., page 17, lines 14-19 (disclosing various specified polypeptide sequences). New claim 78 is supported in the specification at page 24, lines 3-6 (disclosing nucleic acid sequences that hybridize at high stringency to a disclosed CRF2-12 nucleic acid sequence). Support for new claims 88-90 appears in, e.g., original claims 14-16. Applicants reserve the right to pursue all cancelled subject matter in a continuing application or applications. No new matter is added by the amendments.

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On the basis of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit, that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If there are any questions regarding this amendment and/or these remarks, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 22058-532.

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